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The official returns on the prevailing epidemic of measles for the past week show a considerable decrease in the number of cases occurring in the city. There have been but 12 new cases reported, with no deaths. One case of scarlet fever which proved fatal has also been reported. No other contagious or infectious diseases have been reported within this district.

Mortuary statistics of the city of Matanzas for the period from April 10 to 20, 1905.

Causes of death.	Number of deaths.	Bertillon number.
Scarlet fever	1	7
Tuberculosis	5	27
Senility	1	154
Entero-colitis	1	105
Anthrax	1	22
Nephritis	1	119
Hemorrhage, cerebral	1	64
Bronchitis	1	91
Declusion, intestinal Grippe Lesion of heart (unqualified)	1	108
Grippe	1	10
Lesion of heart (unqualified)	3	79
Hypertrophy of prostate gland	1	125
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Burns	1	167
Arterio-selerosis	1	81
Total	22	

Annual rate of mortality per mille, 16.72; estimated population, 48,000.

Report from Nuevitas—Inspection of vessels—Malarial fever.

Acting Assistant Surgeon McConnell reports, April 23, as follows: During the week ended April 23, 1905, one bill of health was issued to the Cuban steamer *Olinda*, bound for New York; crew, 42, and 20 passengers inspected.

Since the beginning of the heavy rains considerable increase of malarial fever has been noted in the city and district.

No quarantinable disease has been reported during the week.

Report from Santiago—Inspection of vessels—Mortuary statistics.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, April 19, as follows: During the week ended April 15, 1905, bills of health were issued to 6 vessels bound for the United States.

No quarantinable disease has been reported.

Mortuary report for the week ended April 15, 1905.

Cause of death.	Number.	Bertillor number.
Tubercle of lungs	. 2	27
Tubercle of meninges	. 1	28
Brain tumor	. 1	45
Meningitis	. 1	61
Cerebral hemorrhage	. 3	64
Organic heart disease.	. 3	79
Organic heart disease	. 1	81
Emphysema of lungs	1	98
Gastro-enteritis, under 2 years	.l ī	105
Chronic enteritis	5	105
Bright's disease	1 1	120
Gastro-enteritis, under 2 years Chronic enteritis Bright's disease Ill defined or unspecified	î	179
Total	. 18	